

NEW MAIL SCHEDULES.

Railway Post Office Established on Two Extra Trains. Postmaster Ezra H. Ripple has succeeded in having the postoffice department establish railroad post-offices commencing on October 22, on Lackawanna train No. 15, leaving here for Buffalo at 4:10 a. m., and arriving in the latter city at 12:45 p. m., and on Lackawanna train No. 12, leaving here at 5:40 a. m., and arriving in New York city at 10:30 p. m.

Heretofore only through pouches have been carried on these trains but by the new arrangement mail for intervening stations will be sorted and delivered en route. The schedule for the arrival and departure of mails to and from this city and New York and Philadelphia has been lately changed and is now as follows: Times for departure being in all instances the time of closing the mail at the local office.

Mails leave for New York—1, 5, 7:30 and 10:20 a. m., and 12:30, 3:10 and 11 p. m. Mails arrive from New York—1:10, 4:10, 10:25 a. m., and 1:52, 5:43, 8:45, and 11:30 p. m.

Mails leave for Philadelphia—5, 8, 10:05, 11:30 a. m., and 12:30, 1:10, 3:10, 5:20 and 11 p. m. Mails arrive from Philadelphia—6:20, 10, 10:20 a. m., and 1:15, 5:43, 8:45 and 11:30 p. m.

This makes the most complete mail service between these two great eastern cities and Scranton that has ever been had before.

The receipts at the local post office for the quarter ending September 30 were \$41,733.47. The receipts for the same quarter in 1899 were \$34,757.42, making an increase this year of \$6,976.05.

CHESS CLUB HAS BEEN REVIVED

Local Lovers of the Game Have Reorganized for the Winter—Last Season's Handicap Tournament.

The Scranton Chess club, which last season proved a source of much pleasure to all local lovers of the intricate and scientific game, by the handicap tournament which it conducted throughout the fall of '99 and winter of 1900, has reorganized. Great interest is being manifested in the club and already over twenty members have been enrolled on the secretary's list.

At a recent meeting held in the studio of Artist John Brainerd, in the Gies building, officers were elected for the ensuing year. Colonel F. L. Hitchcock was again chosen president, and Robert C. Adams was made secretary. The club will hold weekly meetings, coming together every Saturday night. For the present meetings will be held at the office of Attorney Peck, in the board of trade building. Later on the club will probably meet at the houses of the various members.

Last year's tournament was won by Professor S. Friedwald, of the High school faculty. The contestants in the tournament were divided into three classes, and Professor Friedwald proved himself to be easily the best player in the club, by winning twenty-two games, tying one and losing one, out of twenty-four played, a splendid record.

Last year the club brought the American chess champion, Pillsbury, to this city, and his advent proved of great interest to Scrantonians as he gave a truly remarkable exhibition of both chess and checker playing. He played a large number of simultaneous games, even using a blindfold game, in which he was unable to see a single one of his opponents and only knew their moves as they called them off. F. R. Welsh, of Jermy, one of the members of the club, was the only one who succeeded in wresting a game from the champion.

During the coming winter another tournament will probably be contested, and in addition matches will be arranged with one of the city chess teams. "Funkhannock is every year represented by several of the chess champions and these will be called upon to do battle with the local players. Wilkes-Barre, also, is generally represented by a team of experts at the game, and it is likely that the Scranton Chess club will arrange for a tournament with, and to all sorts of things to, the men from down the valley.

Several members of the High school faculty are members of the club, Professors Friedwald, W. E. Schimpff and John Wagner, all being enthusiastic followers of the chess-men. Among the other members are: Colonel F. L. Hitchcock, Edmund A. Bartl, R. C. Adams, Wilson Bailey, John Brainerd, W. Loveland, Joseph Miller, Winfred J. Northup, E. G. Worden, Ernest, George Davidson, Frank Davidson, Attorney Peck, Dr. Porteus, of Taylor; F. R. Welsh, of Jermy.

THE DRUMMER EVANGELIST.

Schedule of the Meetings of Rev. W. H. Williams. "The Drummer Evangelist," Rev. W. H. Williams, arrived yesterday county, where he has been conducting anti-union league meetings, speaking nightly to large congregations. His future dates are as follows: Friday, Oct. 19—Carbondale. Sunday, Oct. 21—10:30 a. m., Baptist church, Jermy; 2:30 p. m., Methodist Episcopal church, Clinchella; 7:30 p. m., Methodist Episcopal church, Clark's Summit. Monday and Tuesday, Oct. 22 and 23—Methodist Episcopal church, Clinchella. Thursday, October 25—7:30 p. m., Methodist Episcopal church, Nay Aug. Friday, Oct. 26—7:30 p. m., Methodist Episcopal church, Matamoras. Sunday, Oct. 28—Scranton, 10:30 a. m., Grace Evangelical Lutheran church; 7:30 p. m., Elm Park church. Monday, Oct. 29—Madison, N. J. Thursday, Nov. 1—7:30 p. m., Baptist church, Lovelton; Friday, Nov. 2, 7:30 p. m., Baptist church, Melpopang; Saturday, Nov. 3, two addresses before the Sunday school convention at West Auburn. Sunday, Nov. 4—9:30 a. m., Baptist church, Youngman; 3:30 p. m., boys' meeting, Youngman; 7:30 p. m., boys' meeting, Youngman. Sunday, Nov. 5—7:30 p. m., Presbyterian church, West Pittston. Monday, Nov. 6—7:30 p. m., Baptist church, Eastonville. Tuesday, Nov. 6—7:30 p. m., Methodist Episcopal church, Eastonville. Wednesday, Nov. 7—7:30 p. m., Baptist church, Fulkston. Thursday, Nov. 8—7:30 p. m., Mason Brook school house. Friday, Nov. 9—7:30 p. m., Presbyterian church, Melpopang. Nov. 10 to 15, inclusive, special revival services at Methodist Episcopal church, Little Meadows. Friday, Nov. 23—Nicholson. Modjeska, in elaborate revival of Shakespeare's historical tragedy, "King John," Saturday evening—Lyceum.

MARKED BILLS ARE OFFERED

Grier's Attorney Produced Them During the Cross-Examination of Detective Harris.

THEORY OF THE DEFENSE

It Will Be, So Far as These Bills Are Concerned, That They Were Accepted by Grier Knowing That Harris Was a Detective and Were Marked for Future Use—Cross Examination of Detective Harris Continued All of Yesterday Morning and Part of the Afternoon—Detectives E. A. Whitney and A. P. Anderson Sworn.

There was another great crowd in the main court room of the court house yesterday to listen to the testimony of the commonwealth in the case against commonwealth counsel James Grier, of the Third ward, who is on trial for soliciting and accepting bribes for his vote.

There were a number of clergymen in the audience all day and various prominent residents of the city dropped into the court room during the day, and watched the proceedings for a time. No criminal case of recent years in Scranton has attracted as much general attention as the one now on trial.

All of yesterday morning and part of the afternoon was consumed with the cross-examination of Joel S. Harris, the detective. During this examination Mr. O'Brien, of counsel for the defendant, produced two \$20 bills which Detective Harris admitted were the identical bills he gave Grier in the Hotel Rudolph. This indicated that the defense will try to prove that Grier knew that Harris was a detective and as soon as he received them he had them marked for identification by his attorney and then laid aside for use against Harris.

The other witnesses on the stand yesterday were E. A. Whitney and A. P. Anderson, the detectives who worked in connection with Harris and under his directions.

THE CROSS-EXAMINATION.

Though Judge Edwards was on the bench promptly at 9 o'clock it was 9:40 before the motions and other business to come before the court were disposed of and court was taken up again take up the Grier case. Detective Joel S. Harris again went on the stand and his cross-examination was begun by Attorney Joseph O'Brien. He said he is 24 years of age and has been a detective since he was 16. He was sent on from New York to take up this case and the next day along with another detective named Wood he called on E. B. Sturges at his home. F. E. Beers was present at the time. He had no conversation with any of the men in the room.

Sturges told him it was looking for councilmen were accepting bribes for their votes and that it would be his business to try to catch them. "Mr. Sturges told you to bribe these men, did he?" asked Mr. O'Brien. "No one tried to bribe the councilmen. They were out looking for money and they got it," replied Mr. Harris.

"Oh, that's your way of putting it, is it," commented Mr. O'Brien with fine sarcasm. Harris said he does not know whether Mr. Wood is here now or not. Wood is employed regularly by Captain Sawyer at a salary of \$21 a week and expenses. Whitney and Anderson were not with him in the work but they were under his directions. During the time he was investigating the councilmen he frequently met Mr. Beers and had several interviews with Mr. Sturges.

RELATIONS WITH GRIER.

Then passing on to his relations with Mr. Grier the detective said he was made desirous to meet the defendant at the first meeting with Grier that Grier was the man who handled matters in common council. "Can he do anything for me?" asked the detective. "Sure," replied Coleman, "that's the reason I mentioned him to you."

At the first meeting with Grier in Rohrwasser's he was very sure the Councilman P. Calpin was not present. He was equally positive that prior to that meeting on April 24 he had not at least a dozen times attempted to bribe Calpin. Mr. O'Brien tried to get from the witness the admission that he had corruptly given Grier money to influence his official action but the witness stated that did not express his mission clearly. "If he wanted to be bribed I was there to prove his guilt," said the detective.

"You told Grier that you were very green, didn't you?" asked Mr. O'Brien. "He knows now how green I was," replied the witness, whereat there was a general laugh.

During the conversation he had on

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DIDN'T WAIT ON OFFICIALS.

License Committee Thought It Best Not to Do So.

It can be announced with definite certainty that the license committee of the select council will, at tonight's meeting, return the license tax ordinance without any report.

The committee was instructed at the last meeting to confer with the officials of the Scranton Railway company for the purpose of seeing if they would be agreeable to a tax of five per cent. on their gross receipts, providing one half of the money thus realized is devoted to park improvement purposes.

The members of the committee have been thinking this question over and they have reached the conclusion that it would place them in a queer light if they waited upon the company officials and asked them if they would be willing to accept such an amendment.

"If we've got the right to tax this company that amount," said one of the members of the committee yesterday, "and if we believe that it should be taxed that much, then we should go right ahead and tax them without asking them whether they like it or not. I believe that the company officials would as a simple matter of business, attempt to stave off as much taxation as possible and I don't believe for a minute that they would agree to be taxed five per cent. just because it was going to be used for park purposes."

The members of the committee, it must be understood, do not believe that the city can tax the company as much as five per cent. of the gross receipts. They seem to be unanimous in believing that a tax of 100 per cent. is just about the proper thing and will report the ordinance back to council to-night with the above explanation.

WORKING TO PASS VIADUCT MEASURE

Supporters of Measure Are Trying to Get a Sufficient Number of Votes in the Select Council.

The supporters of the viaduct ordinance are making an earnest canvass to secure a sufficient number of votes in select council to-night, and feel confident of success. The ordinance is now out of the hands of the streets and bridges committee, having been taken from them at the last meeting, although a quorum was not present when the motion was passed.

Chairman Chittenden, of the committee, has been gathering figures on the approximate amount of the damages which will be incurred by the erection of the viaduct and it is understood that he has compiled a fairly complete list, which he will present at to-night's meeting, in the hope of preventing the passage of the ordinance.

Chittenden, while he favors the erection of a viaduct, is firmly convinced that the present plan of erecting one is a direct violation of the act of assembly which prohibits cities of the third class from increasing their debt limit beyond two percent. of their assessed valuation without the consent of the people. He thinks that the statement that the damages will not be created until the structure is completed, is merely a sort of sharp trick to get around the law.

Mayor Moir and City Engineer Phillips, in pursuance with the directions of a resolution passed by common council, are endeavoring also to secure an approximate estimate of the damages to be caused, but they are not meeting with any success. They are sending out letters to each property owner asking for statement of the amount of damages which he will incur, but the property owners do not appear very anxious to commit themselves in writing.

GONE TO CARBONDALE.

American Art Company Couldn't Get an Attorney in Scranton.

After fruitless efforts to find an attorney in Scranton willing to contest identification with its affairs, the American Art League, which by false representations of the most unblushing character two years ago swindled a number of prominent women in this city, has now gone to Carbondale in search of legal aid. It has put its claims in the hands of an attorney in that city who is presumably not informed as to the character of his client's operations.

He will get this information shortly and it is believed that he, also, will return the business and decline to act. LAST OF THE SEASON. Special Excursion to Niagara Falls Via Pennsylvania Railroad. On Thursday next, October 18th, the Pennsylvania Railroad company will run a special excursion from Wilkes-Barre to Niagara Falls and return. Trains leave Wilkes-Barre 10:55 a. m., connecting at Scranton with special train through to destination. Round trip tickets, good for ten days and to stop off at Buffalo, Rochester, Canandaigua and Watkins on return trip, within limit, will be sold at rate of \$6.80 from Wilkes-Barre.

Western Rates Reduced. Greatly reduced one-way and round trip second class rates will be in effect from Chicago via Wisconsin Central Railway, to points in Minnesota, North Dakota, Montana, Idaho, Oregon, Washington and British Columbia each Tuesday during October and November.

For detailed information inquire of nearest ticket agent, or address JAS. C. FOND, Gen'l Pass Agent, Milwaukee, Wis.

Meeting Saturday Night. The First Louis Kosuth Hungarian Political club will hold their meeting at the Coeman House, South Washington avenue, Saturday evening, October 20, 8 p. m. All members are requested to attend, especially those who have recently received their papers. John Kramer, President and Acting Secretary, 514 Irving avenue, City.

Modjeska, Lyceum, Saturday, Oct. 20. Elaborate revival of Shakespeare's historical tragedy of "King John" for evening performance; "Macbeth" at the matinee. Yesterday's Marriage Licenses. Grant Evans.....Bowman's Creek Margarette Richards.....Nanticoke Anthony A. Cummings.....Scranton Bertha Kludoff.....Scranton

SAYS IT IS ALL SETTLED

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cause further serious bother, is a prospect not at all pleasing to them.

Not Wholly Satisfied. Several of the local operators with whom a Tribune reporter conversed regarding the reported concessions of yesterday's conference were not thoroughly satisfied but that the miners' convention resolutions contemplated the acceptance of the 10 per cent. offer as it was made in each locality.

The resolutions simply say in this regard: "We would recommend that this convention accept the 10 per cent. advance, providing the operators will continue its payment until April 1, 1901, etc."

Secretary John T. Dempsey, of District No. 1, who was a member of the committee on resolutions, was seen about the matter and said that the committee had thoroughly canvassed the powder question and distinctly agreed that the advance must be a flat one all through the region, and that wherever powder is sold for more than \$1.50 the companies would be expected to place upon the miners' reducing it when they come to consider the other grievances that they promised they would adjust with their own men.

This is in line with what President Mitchell stated to a Tribune reporter Saturday, but on that occasion his utterance was taken to be his own interpretation of the somewhat ambiguous clause. Two of the most prominent superintendents of the region when told of the interpretation the operators would be expected to place upon the miners' resolutions expressed disappointment that bordered on disgust. "The powder question ought to have been included and gotten rid of," said one in rather testy tones. The other said: "It makes no difference, really, how we give the advance, but for the looks of the thing I wish the arrangement was such as to lower this fictional price of powder."

IT IS NOT KNOWN.

Just how the concessions of the operators will be made to bring out the order calling off the strike is not known among the local officers of the United Mine Workers. They believe, though, that all or a great majority of the operators will at once post notices similar in effect to that which the Reading issued yesterday afternoon, and this being reported by the district mine workers' officials to the headquarters in Hazleton, President Mitchell will issue a statement that all the conventions' demands having been complied with, the men should be notified by their district officers to return to work.

When in this city, Saturday, President Mitchell would not commit himself as to whether the separate conferences for the adjustment of the minor grievances would have to be held before the men returned to work, or whether they would be content to take what was demanded in the resolutions and go back to work with the expectation that the power of their organization having been manifested to the operators, there is every assurance that they will get fair treatment. It is not reasonable to suppose, however, that Mr. Mitchell will advise holding out longer for more than is now in sight. Such an action, it is thought, would not meet with favor from the more conservative element among the strikers.

URGED BY THE PRESIDENT.

Yesterday's Philadelphia Inquirer printed the following double-headed on its first page under a caption in big letters: "President Hopes for Settlement. Urges Representative Connell to Do All He Can to End Strike."

Washington, D. C., Oct. 16.—Representative Connell, of the Scranton district, before leaving for his home today, had a long conference with President McKinley at the Executive Mansion on the subject of the strike situation in Pennsylvania.

Mr. Connell is one of the largest individual anthracite coal miners in the state, and hundreds of his miners are on strike. President McKinley is deeply desirous of a settlement, not for the political reasons, but because he deems the results of such a disturbance of mining conditions. He, therefore, strongly urged Mr. Connell to do all he could with the other operators to settle the strike.

The Pennsylvania representative has always been liberal to his men, and that fact will probably have a strong bearing in the efforts he will at once make to end the strike. The president intimated that if he could have done so with propriety he would have long ago suggested arbitration, which he has consistently advocated for domestic and international difficulties.

Mr. Connell informed the president that he was fully convinced from his knowledge of the situation of affairs that conditions in the coal region are favorable to an early settlement, he believes, and so informed the president, that

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PERSONAL. Hon. W. J. Lewis has gone to Denver, Co., on a business trip. P. F. Cusick was yesterday in New York city. He will return today. Secretary Dolph B. Atterton, of the board of trade, leaves today for Binghamton, N. Y., on a business trip. Dr. H. A. Paret, veterinary surgeon, of Spruce street, who has been abroad for the past three months, returned home yesterday. Miss Jessie Dimmick is entertaining several young lady friends at the cottage of William Connell at Lake Henry, where she is Miss Shannon, of Bridgeport, Conn., and the Misses Bone, Vail and Thomas, of this city.

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